Restoration of fiscal and judicial rights of tribals

2553. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KHAN: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gram Sabhas are in existence in the tribal communities;

(b) whether these Sabhas have been empowered to deal with the restoration of fiscal and judicial rights of the tribals; and

(c) the details of constitutional efforts taken by Government to make tribals understand our judicial system and administrative machinery?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Gram Sabhas have been legally empowered under PESA Act, 1996 to manage community resources and resolve disptues as per their customs and traditions.

(c) The Ministry of Panchayati Raj has initiated an exercise to draft a Nyaya Panchayat Bill which may be extended to tribal areas.

Categorising of primitive tribes

2554. DR. RADHAKANT NAYAK: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of primitive tribes and what are the characteristics for categorising some tribes as primitive; and

(b) the details of these tribes covered under Janshree Bima Yojana in the country in general and in Orissa in particular?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) Tribal communities which have a pre-agricultural level of technology, low levels of literacy, are economically backward and have a declining or stagnant population are classified as Primitive Tribal Groups (PTGs). On the basis of these characteristics, the Government has identified 75 PTGs in the country. The details of identified PTGs, and number of PTG households for which the Ministry has released funds to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations including Orissa to cover them under the Janshree Bima Yojana are given at Statement.

Statement

State-wise details of Primitive Tribal Groups and number of families covered by the Ministry under Janshree Bima Yojana from 2004-05 to 2006-07

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Name of the PTG	No. of heads of households of PTGs for whom funds have been released for Janshree Bima Yojana			Total
			2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Chenchu Bodo Gadaba Gutob Gadaba Dongria Khond Kutia Khond Kolam Konda Reddi Kondasavara Bondo Porja Khond Porja Parengi Porja Thoti	12000	24000	22000	58000
2.	Bihar	Abuja Maria Baiga Bharia	1000	2000	0	3000
3.	Chhattisgarh	Birhor Hill Korwa Kamar Saharia Kolgha Kathodi	8000	18000	19500	45500
4.	Gujarat	Kotwalia Padhar Siddi Asur Birhor Birjia Hill Kharia	5000	10000	11000	26000
5.	Jharkhand	Korwa Mal Paharia	14000	29000	0	43000

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Parhaiya Sairoa Paharia Savar Cholanaikayan Kadar				
6.	Kerala Koraga Kurumba	Kattunayakan	500	1000	3000	4500
7.	Karnataka Korga Baiga	Jenu Kuruba	2000	4000	2500	8500
8.	Madhya Pradesh Saharia Katkar/Kathodi	Bharia	20000	40000	30000	90000
9.	Maharashtra	Kolam Maria Gond	14000	28000	0	42000
10.	Manipur	Maram Naga Chuktia Bhujia Birhor Bondo Didayi Dongaria Khond Juang	2000	500	0	2500
11.	Orissa	Kharia Kutia Khond Lanjia Sura Lodha Mankirdia Paudi Bhuyan Saura	2500	5000	8500	16000
12.	Rajasthan	Seharia Irular Kattunayakan Kota	2500	5000	0	7500
13.	Tamil Nadu	Kurumba Paniyan Toda	8000	16000	16000	40000
14.	Tripura	Riang	5000	10000	10000	25000

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
15.	Uttarnchal/UP	Buksa Raji Birhor	500	1420	0	1920
16.	West Bengal	Lodha Toto Great Andamanese Jarawa	3000	6000	6500	15500
17.	A&N Islands	Onge Sentinelese Shom Pen	0	80	0	80
		TOTAL:	100000	200000	129000	429000

New policy for development of tribals

†2555. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to make a new policy with a view to bring the tribals into mainstream of development;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when this policy would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has formulated a draft of a National Tribal Policy covering all important issues that concern the protection and development of tribals, such as, Alienation of Tribal Land; Tribal-Forest Interface; Displacement, Rehabilitation & Resettlement; Enhancement of Human Development Index; Creation of Critical Infrastructure; Violent Manifestations; Conservation & Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs); Adoption of Tribal Sub Plan Strategy; Empowerment; Gender Equity; Enlisting Support of Non-Governmental Organizations; Tribal Culture & Traditional Knowledge; Administration of Tribal Areas; the Regulatory & Protective Regime; Scheduling & De-scheduling of Tribes, etc.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.